



# TOWN OF DUDLEY

## Massachusetts

### Historical Commission

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#### Minutes of Dudley Historical Commission December 9, 2014

Called to order 6:35 P. M., present E. Bazinet, M. Branniff, L. Wieloch, C. Rawson. Absent : J. Antos, F. Meyer, E. Martin.

Minutes of August 2, 2014 passed over, lack of quorum.

Financial report distributed by C. Rawson.

Greeting Card results, by Chairman Bazinet. Quickly sold out at November election.

Historic District Project still attempting meaningful communication with Ma. Historical to voice our unhappiness with their response to our National Register District application.

The Commission briefed and sought to make Building Inspector Nelson Burlingame familiar with the provisions of Article XXXIX Dudley Demolition Delay Bylaw. Especially 12.04.00 Procedure. A copy of the bylaw was provided to Mr. Burlingame. It was emphasized how important it was for demolition requests to be transmitted to the Commission as soon as possible, in keeping with the provisions of the bylaw so that public hearings may be scheduled within the time limits specified in the bylaw. Mr. Burlingame pledged his best effort to cooperate with the Commission.

Historic scavenger hunt was deemed a success by Mr. Bazinet. Time was spent discussing the historic signage and historic montage envisioned for the Dudley Common to be facilitated by hunt proceeds and a Malser Grant application. Still in the conceptual stage, ideas are needed.

Within the past week a quotation from Joe Degnan of Kofile Preservation was received by the Town Clerk. Conservation and preservation of 8 historic archival volumes, previously examined, was quoted at \$11,302 the usual terms and conditions to apply. The clerk will apprise the Board of Selectmen of this latest round of archival material and determine if there is any support; as has been intimated to the commission, on several occasions, since the last town meeting, to fund this effort via the annual municipal budget process.

The Town Clerk and representatives of our Commission are awaiting a final quotation from Paul Connolly of Konica-Minolta, Warwick, R. I. for the cost of searchable scans and microfilm of 68 municipal archival volumes and 124 large format municipal ledgers. Mr. Connolly was here last week for a second examination of the large format material. The final quote will be used to formulate a Malser grant application to fund the work.

L. Wieloch brought up the subject of signage for appropriate portions of the Grand Trunk Railroad in our town as a historical educational tool.

Next meeting January 13, 2015. Motion to adjourn by C. Ross and second, unanimously supported.  
7:45 P. M. meeting adjourned  
Respectfully submitted  
Michael Branniff

Secretary.